

hitherto unknown females of *Parotia lawesii* and *Lophorina minor*, and the likewise unknown male of *Amblyornis subalaris*. Two other species, or subspecies, from other parts of that region are also separated and named. Eight beautifully colored plates illustrate as many species, of gorgeous colors and strange forms.

The first part for 1886 has even a more elegant typographical appearance than the foregoing two volumes. Finch and Meyer's memoir is continued, treating of 69 species, 12 being new, among which are four new *Psittaci*, accompanied by fine illustrations.

We take pleasure in calling the attention of American ornithologists to this Journal, a number of which appears in March, June, September, and December, consequently a month ahead of 'The Auk' and 'The Ibis.' Its character is international, articles in any of the scientific languages being accepted for publication, and equal interest is taken in all the zoögeographical regions of the earth. The contents are varied, and many exceedingly valuable and interesting memoirs have already appeared in it, making it indispensable to the working ornithologist. The price (\$5.00) is exceedingly low considering the great number of colored plates; thus volume II contained not less than 22 plates. We are told that the 'Zeitschrift' has only two North American subscribers. It is about time that the ornithologists of our country give up their exclusiveness and study the birds of this continent as a part of the birds of the whole earth, lest our views become narrow and our opinions one-sided. The North American avifauna is only a small part of that of the world, and cannot be properly understood unless viewed from the standpoint of a general knowledge of the whole class. An additional number of American subscribers to Madarász's 'Zeitschrift' would indicate that we have determined to emerge from our seclusion and take a place among the students of the whole class, and not merely of the birds inhabiting a single zoölogical province. The address of Dr. J. v. Madarász is the National Museum, Budapest, Hungary.—L. S.

**Goss's Revised Catalogue of the Birds of Kansas.\***—Our readers will remember the Catalogue of the birds of Kansas published by Col. N. S. Goss, in 1883. Since that time, several new facts have been brought to light, and a number of species have been added to the list. The present "Catalogue" contains 335 species and races, against 320 in the old list. All local lists are of much value when carefully prepared, and aid us greatly in determining the geographical range and migration of species. Much time and care have evidently been given to the preparation of this work, and Col. Goss is to be congratulated on the successful completion of so interesting a contribution to our ornithological knowledge of Kansas. The arrangement and nomenclature is that of the A. O. U. Check List.—C. B. C.

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\*A revised Catalogue of the Birds of Kansas, with descriptive notes of the Nests and Eggs of the Birds known to breed in the State. Topeka, 1886. 8vo., pp. vi + 76.